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Fargo VA honors Veterans during National Salute to Veterans Week, Feb. 14-20

FARGO, N.D. – The Fargo VA Medical Center will hold a Salute to Veterans Week, Feb. 14-20.

The nationally recognized week will be chocked full of activities and events at the Fargo VA honoring the service of Veterans.

During the week, the Fargo VA will welcome the Military Order of the Cootie, Miss, Mrs., and Miss Teen North Dakota, some musically talented Kennedy Elementary 3rd graders, the Fargo South High School Jazz Band, and many other volunteers and guests.

“National Salute to Veterans week is all about paying tribute and expressing appreciation to our Veterans,” said Karinn Davidson, Fargo VA Health Care System Chief of Voluntary Service. “The week will feature a host of Veterans groups, service members, civic organizations, and volunteers all teaming up to celebrate and say thank you to our Veterans.”

The week also provides an opportunity for the community to become acquainted with the volunteer opportunities within the Fargo VA HCS. All events are free and most are open to all Veterans and their families.

Members of the media interested in attending any event should call the Fargo VA HCS Public Affairs office at (701) 239-3724 or email Ross.Tweten@va.gov. A great opportunity for media participation is the Miss North Dakota and Miss Teen North Dakota visit at 10 a.m., followed by the Sweetheart Dinner at 12:15 p.m. on Feb. 19. On this day, Miss and Miss Teen North Dakota will visit with patients at the medical center. Then Veteran patients in the Community Living Center can invite a sweetheart of their choice to some fine dining and a musical performance courtesy of the Fargo South High School Jazz Band.

For more information about events and activities, contact Fargo VA Voluntary Service at (701) 239-3700 ext. 9-3397.

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Event Schedule Below:

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NATIONAL SALUTE TO VETERANS SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES (2016)

- Sun. Feb. 14** **Military Order of the Cootie (MOC) Supreme Visit**
10:30am to 2:30pm (CLC Dining Room)
Patient room visits (CLC & 3M)
special meal and Bingo hosted by the MOC.
- Mon. Feb. 15** **Piano Music**—12:00 p.m. - Tina Klugh—CLC Dining Room
Bingo—1:30 p.m.—Recreational Therapy Service
Bingo— 7:00 p.m.— AL, Moorhead
- Tue. Feb. 16** **Miss ND, Mrs. ND and Miss Teen ND, International**—10:00 a.m.
CLC, 3M and possibly outpatient areas
Bingo—2:00pm - ALA, 9th District, MN
3M patient visits— 9:30 a.m. Diversity Council/Joan Boelter
Outpatient Greeters: ALA, Fargo and VFWA, Dilworth
- Wed. Feb. 17** **First Community Credit Union outpatient visits**—9:30 a.m.
Resident Council & Freshly Baked Cookies —10:30 a.m. CLC
Pie Day— 2:00 p.m. CLC
Blackjack— 7:00 p.m. VVA
Outpatient Greeters: AMVETS & AMVETS Aux.
- Thu. Feb. 18** **Kennedy Elementary 3rd grade music program** — 10:30 a.m. CLC
Bingo—2:00 p.m. DAVA, Fargo
Blackjack—7:00 p.m. - Dilworth MOC
3M patient Visits— 9:30 a.m. Diversity Council/Betti Tangen
Outpatient Greeters: KoC
- Fri. Feb. 19** **Miss ND and Miss Teen ND, USA**— 10:00 a.m. CLC, 3M and
possibly outpatient areas
Community Living Center (CLC) Sweetheart Dinner—12:15pm
Fargo South High Jazz Band will perform during the meal
Outpatient Greeters: VFWA, West Fargo & Fargo Elks
- Sat. Feb. 20** **Grand Forks AFB visit**—9:30 a.m. CLC
Blackjack—10:00am - MOC, West Fargo

Valentines will be distributed throughout the medical center and CBOCs